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Doris Brooks House
Unionville
Private

c. 1910

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HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: DORIS BROOKS HOUSE

MHT Inventory Number: T-800

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

- 1) Historic Period Theme(s): ARCHITECTURE
- 2) Geographic Orientation: EASTERN SHORE
- 3) Chronological/Developmental Period(s):
INDUSTRIAL/URBAN INTENSIFICATION
1870-1930
- 4) Resource Type(s):
SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

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Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common DORIS BROOKS HOUSE

2. Location

street & number East side of Unionville Road (MD 370) ☐ not for publication

city, town Unionville ☐ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Talbot

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Doris Brooks

street & number telephone no.:

city, town Unionville state and zip code MD

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Talbot County Clerk of Court liber 523

street & number Talbot County Courthouse folio 464

city, town Easton state MD 21601

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Doris Brooks house is a two-story, three-bay frame house that stands on the east side of Unionville Road (MD 370) in the center of Unionville, Talbot County, Maryland. The two-story, two-room plan frame house faces west with the gable roof oriented on a north/south axis.

Built around 1910, the two-story, three-bay frame dwelling rests on a low masonry foundation, and it is sheathed with a layer of aluminum siding. The steeply pitched gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Attached to the back of the house is a single-story kitchen wing.

The west (main) elevation is a symmetrical three-bay facade with a center entrance and flanking single-pane sash windows. The front door is partially glazed. Sheltering the first floor is a turned post hip roof porch. The second floor is lighted by three single-pane sash windows. Finishing the base of the roof is a boxed cornice. A single flue brick chimney rises through the roof.

The north and south gable ends are marked by single-pane sash windows that light each floor. The eaves are slightly extended with short returns at the base of the roof.

The back of the house is partially covered by a single-story kitchen wing lighted by single-pane sash windows. An interior end brick stack rises through the roof.

The interior was not seen.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

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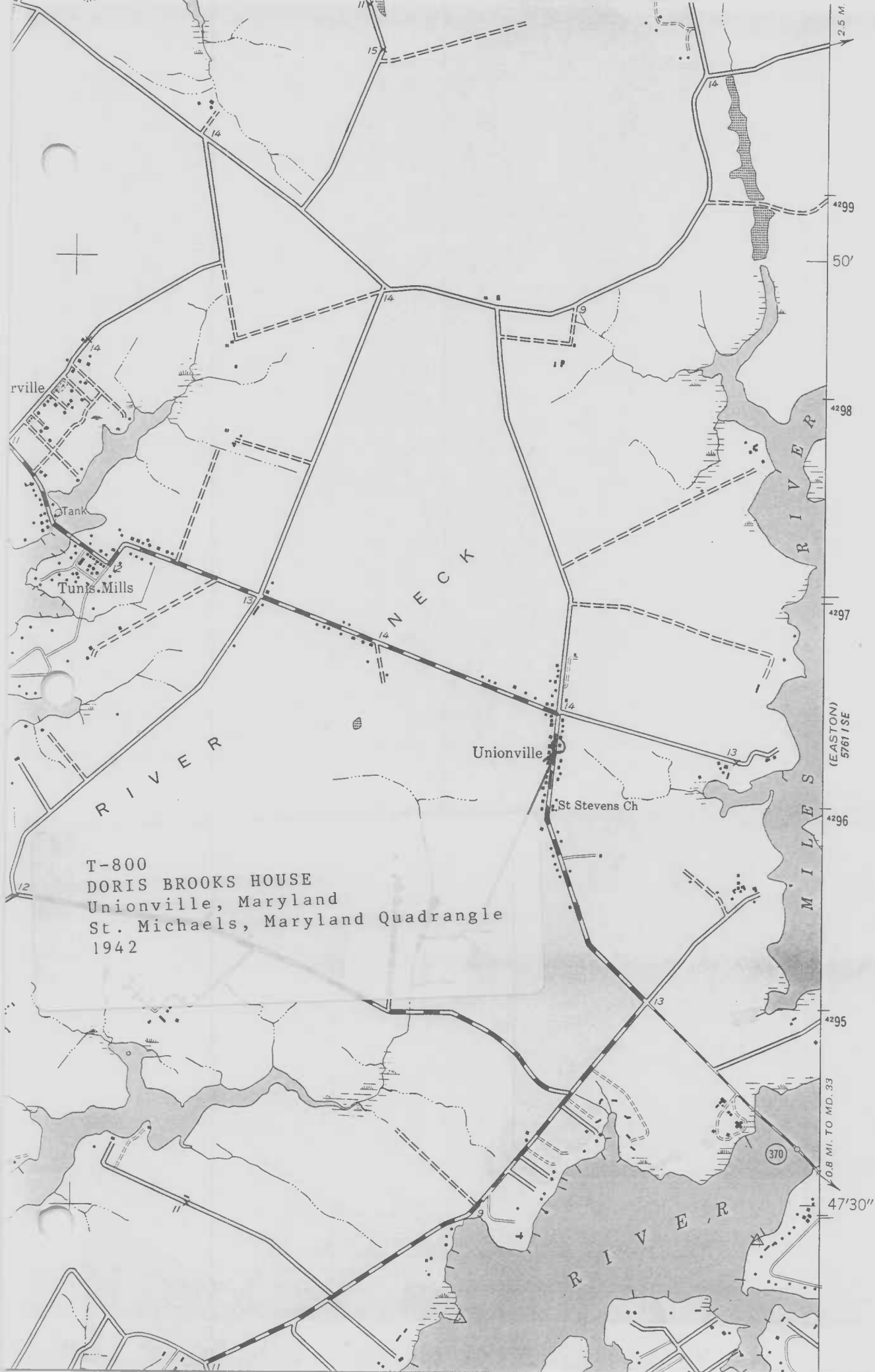
The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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DORIS BROOKS HOUSE
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Chain of title

523/464	Dorothy V. Brooks
	to
9/21/1927	Doris V. Brooks
	containing about 1 acre
287/381	Franklin Lane
	Emily Lane
	to
7/21/1950	Dorothy V. Brooks
	1 acre
273/109	William H. Dodd
	to
6/16/1947	Franklin Lane
	Emily Lane
258/194	May S. Barnes, et al.
	to
5/18/1944	William H. Dodd
	Annabelle Dodd
244/136	G. Elbert Marshall, assignee
	to
5/18/1939	May S. Barnes
	Emma B. Bair





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DORIS BROOKS HOUSE

Unionville, Talbot County, Maryland

Southwest elevation

6/90, Paul Touart, photographer

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